

News Release

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RFQs to be issued for proposed adolescent residential drug treatment facility

LĪHU'E – In November, the County of Kaua'i will be issuing three requests for qualifications (RFQ) for services to assess the feasibility of the adolescent residential drug treatment facility proposed for the Isenberg Tract in Līhu'e. The RFQs solicit services for an environmental assessment (EA), a feasibility study, and conceptual architectural design.

The EA will evaluate the environmental impact of the proposed facility. The feasibility study will assess how the facility will operate, and the conceptual architectural design will focus on how the building will integrate with the surrounding community. These studies are expected to take 12 to 18 months to complete.

At a public meeting in July, Mayor Bernard Carvalho Jr. sited a parcel of land adjacent to the Isenberg community for the proposed adolescent residential drug treatment facility and committed to continue keeping the community informed and engaged in the process.

"Mahalo to all those who have participated and provided valuable input on this proposed facility thus far," said Carvalho. "I want to emphasize that there will be multiple opportunities for residents to provide feedback on this project as the EA, feasibility and conceptual architectural design studies are conducted, and I encourage community members to do so."

Kaua'i Anti-Drug Coordinator Theresa Koki said, "We want to also thank the various county officials, community members, drug treatment experts, public safety experts, and members of the Kaua'i County Anti-Drug Program's Treatment and Community Integration Team, who came together to develop the scope of work for the feasibility study RFQ."

For more information about the RFQs or the proposed adolescent residential drug treatment facility, contact Theresa Koki at 808-241-4925 or email at tkoki@kauai.gov.

The Kaua'i County Anti-Drug Program serves the community by addressing the island's drug problem using a four-pronged approach that incorporates prevention, enforcement, treatment and integration.

For more information on the Anti-Drug Program, contact 808-241-4925.

The proposed adolescent residential drug treatment facility is one of 38 projects that are part of Mayor Carvalho's Holo Holo 2020 vision for Kaua'i, which calls for all organizations, businesses, residents and visitors on Kaua'i to be part of creating an island that is sustainable, values the native culture, has a thriving and healthy economy, cares for all – keiki to kupuna – and has a responsible and user-friendly local government.

To view the entire list of Holo Holo 2020 projects, please go to www.kauai.gov/mayor.

